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(SBU) Germany will likely participate in the reftel April 2009 Garmisch Global Initiative (GI) conference, German MFA Assistant Desk Officer Marc Hinrichsen told Econoff. However, Hinrichsen noted that low staffing levels in the German MFA's office responsible for the Global Initiative may complicate their planning. Hinrichsen was not able to commit Germany to moderating any of the panels, although he noted the request and stated he would advance it through his office. He welcomed the information on the updated version of the Model Guidelines for Nuclear Detection Architectures on the GI Information Portal.

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